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committee have done on this. It's...it's quite an elaborate scheme and I...and I don't mean scheme in a negative sense. It's a very creative effort. Tell me just a little bit about public meeting laws, and I should remember this, but when we created the joint entities and interlocal agreements I think the public meeting laws still apply just as if they were a local political subdivision or...would that be accurate?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Bromm.

SENATOR BROMM: That's correct, Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: All right, so all of this is going to be completely open to people participating in every way.

SENATOR BROMM: It would have to be open to the public meetings, and advance notice, and agendas, and those sorts of things.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay, and is it subject to the budget laws? Would their budgeting process be open to the public?

SENATOR BROMM: Correct.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. Senator, that's all I have. Thank you for answering all the questions.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Beutler and Senator Preister. Senator Bromm, there are no further lights on. Do you wish to close on the committee amendments?

SENATOR BROMM: Thank you, Senator Cudaback, and I will be relatively brief on the closing, but to again reiterate what the amendment does, the amendment clearly states that this bill will not amend the work we did on dark fiber; that that stands as it is and it's not being impacted by this bill. Secondly, the amendment further defines what we mean by an alliance in the bill. We have two entities, the acquisition agency that could be an interlocal agreement between entities, such as counties or cities, that are going to enter into an agreement to acquire a system and perhaps finance it through the issuance of bonds through NIFA. We then have the alliance that is comprised of